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ELONGATE ELEMENT DESIGNED TO FORM SUCH  
A NIB  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2003  
please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.  
A marked-up version of the amendments is enclosed herewith for the  
Examiner's convenience.